

TOWN OF TRURO
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING OF TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2006

The Truro Board of Selectmen met for their weekly session on Tuesday, October 10, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. at the Truro Town Hall, 24 Town Hall Road, Truro. In attendance were: Chairman Alfred Gaechter, Vice-Chairman Gary Palmer, Clerk Christopher R. Lucy, Curtis Hartman, Jan Worthington, Town Administrator Pamela Nolan, Administrative Secretary Julie DuPree, Assistant Town Administrator Charleen Greenhalgh, Martha Nagy, Robert Lowe, Fred Simonin, Russ Braun, Jennifer Morris, Ellen Schiereck, Ansel Chaplin, Bob Weinstein, Karen Snow, Bill Worthington, Nick Brown, Bill Golden, Deborah Paine, Caroline Herron, Lucy Brown, Susan Kadar, Lucinda Worthington, and Mike Iaquessa of the Banner.

Mr. Gaechter convened the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Minutes: Mr. Palmer moved to approve the minutes of the regular and Executive Sessions of October 3, 2006, as presented, and to hold the Executive Session minutes in abeyance. Mr. Worthington seconded it. Vote: 5-0, unanimous.

Public Comment: Ms. Kadar reported on the Housing Summit she attended in Provincetown recently. As a result of the summit, working groups have been formed. She has joined the one that is looking into the regional approach.

Joint meeting with the Planning Board: The two Boards interviewed Mr. Brown. Mr. Brown explained that he has reconsidered his resignation because of the show of support and because he feels strongly enough about the issues to serve. He said he had resigned because of the frustration with the lack of progress on getting an affordable accessory apartment bylaw. In conversations with people he believes that now is the time. He feels that it is a positive thing to have a realtor on the Planning Board. He will not do conflicts of interest. He must recuse himself every second or third meeting. He believes in interaction between boards and the use of a routing slip. Mr. Gaechter moved to reappoint Mr. Brown to the Planning Board. Mr. Lucy seconded it. Joint Vote: 10-1, with Ms. Worthington opposed.

Community Preservation Articles: Ms. Kadar gave the BOS an overview of the STM articles submitted by the CPC. Mr. Gaechter explained that the BOS will vote on these articles later this evening.

Interview: Housing Authority: Jennifer Morris explained that she is a young member of the community, her husband was born here and they are raising their child here. She knows that they are very fortunate to be able to stay in town. She has many friends who would like to be able to stay in the community. Her parents have been a good example to her of community service. She feels it is time for the younger members of the community to step up to the plate.

Caroline Herron has also applied to fill the vacancy. Mr. Gaechter noted that she has been attending the Housing Authority meetings and participating. Ms. Herron told the Board that she feels this is the key issue in Truro. She feels she would serve well and has some skills she could bring to the Housing Authority. Ms. Kadar explained that the Housing Authority had discussed their problem with winter time quorums. Three members are away for portions of the year. Mr.

Marr is away the longest, and he offered to resign so that someone else could serve who had more time to give. She told the BOS that Ms. Herron has attended both the Housing Authority and the CPC meetings and is already knowledgeable about what is happening on the Housing Authority and understands the complicated CPA laws and procedures. They really need someone with knowledge; the Housing Authority would appreciate if Ms. Herron were appointed. They hope in the future to form subcommittees and call on people to work with them in any way that can legally be done. Other towns have additional housing committees that are not mandated by state law. The Board decided they would wait to make this appointment next week.

Interview: WROC: Ellen Schiereck has applied to fill a vacancy on the WROC. She told the BOS that she loves Truro, has recently become a fulltime resident and registered to vote. She has concerns with the quantity and quality of our water. She has developed skills during her work in business that include planning, analysis and project management. **Mr. Palmer moved to appoint Ellen Schiereck to the Water Resources Oversight Committee. Mr. Worthington seconded it. Vote: 5-0, unanimous.**

Condo Conversion: Sunrise Cottages: Mr. Braun explained that he has already gotten approval for the parking plan and the septic system. It is a phased project and his application is just for the first phase of his project which the first three units. Mr. Gaechter asked him which unit was number 7, the one designated in the covenant as the resident manager's unit. Mr. Braun explained it was not yet built, but was the house labeled "proposed dwelling" on the parking plan. **Mr. Gaechter moved to approve. Mr. Hartman seconded it. Vote: 5-0, unanimous.**

STM Articles:

Article One, Dog Officer/Animal Control position: **Mr. Gaechter moved to recommend. Mr. Lucy seconded it. Vote: 5-0, unanimous.**

Article Two, Sign for TCS: Mr. Hartman informed them that a grant has been sought, and contributions promised, and if these come through, the amount will be lowered on STM floor.

Mr. Gaechter moved to recommend. Mr. Hartman seconded it. Vote: 5-0, unanimous.

Article Three, Tercentennial Celebration: **Mr. Gaechter moved to recommend. Mr. Hartman seconded it. Vote: 5-0, unanimous.**

Article Four, Classification schedule changes: Ms. Nolan was directed to get clarification from the Building Inspector. The position of Deputy Building Inspector was to be added to the classification schedule, but the article did not show exactly what was to be inserted. The Board deferred action.

Article Five, Increase of hours for COA Office Assistant: The amount to be authorized which was spelled out in words did not match the amount in numerals. The Board deferred action.

Article Six, Increase of hours for COA Outreach Coordinator: The amount to be authorized which was spelled out in words did not match the amount in numerals. The Board deferred action.

Article Seven, Golf Course Roller: Mr. Gaechter questioned why this could not wait until ATM. Ms. Nolan will ask the Golf Course Manager. The Board deferred action.

Article Eight, Easement in Moses Way and North Union Field Road: Ms. Worthington thought

that this article did not list all the things that were promised to the abutters at the last WROC meeting with them. Mr. Palmer distributed the comment he had written for the article. The Board deferred action.

Article Nine, Sections One - Four, CPC articles: Mr. Gaechter moved to recommend Sections One through Four. Mr. Hartman seconded it. Mr. Lucy questioned if they had received a list of all the things that will be done as a part of the renovation of Cobb Library. **Mr. Gaechter amended his motion to recommend Sections Two through Four. Mr. Lucy seconded it. Vote: 5-0, unanimous.** The Board deferred action on Section One.

Article Ten, Highway Aid: Mr. Gaechter moved to recommend. Mr. Lucy seconded it. Vote: 5-0, unanimous.

Article Eleven, Veteran's Memorial: Mr. Gaechter noted that they had not gotten a final figure yet. Ms. Nolan said the group is still working on getting all the names. Mr. Gaechter said that they won't have a cost in time, and it could wait until ATM but it has been promises so long, he would like to act now. The Board deferred action.

Article Twelve, 4 Wheel Drive vehicle: Mr. Gaechter questioned why this couldn't wait until ATM. Ms. Nolan explained that the new animal control officer had to have a vehicle to use exclusively because of the animal fluids that could be hazardous. She plans to allow the Building Inspector, the Health/Conservation Agent and the Assessor's Office to share the new smaller 4 wheel drive, and let the animal control officer use the old vehicle. This cannot wait. Mr. Gaechter asked about using the old police car. Ms. Nolan said that they are not going to repair it. It has gone out to bid as surplus equipment. **Mr. Palmer moved to recommend. Mr. Lucy seconded it. Vote: 5-0, unanimous.**

Article Thirteen, Pay bills to the State: Mr. Gaechter moved to recommend. Mr. Hartman seconded it. Vote: 5-0, unanimous.

Article Fourteen, Lightening/Surge Suppression: There is no comment for this article yet. The Board deferred action.

Article Fifteen, Remove air craft control bylaw: Mr. Palmer moved to recommend. Mr. Gaechter seconded it. Vote: 5-0, unanimous.

Article Sixteen, Accept MGL Ch. 39, section 23D: Mr. Lucy moved to recommend. Mr. Hartman seconded it. Vote: 5-0, unanimous.

Mr. Gaechter asked that Ms. Nolan have Lorial Russell to meet them.

Other business:

Ms. DuPree informed them that she had received a request from Truro Sea Grill asking for permission to remain closed until spring. They are unable to reopen due to health issues. They are going to apply for a seasonal liquor license instead of an annual. Ms. DuPree recommended that they approve this request; it will not affect anyone else applying for a license as we are well under the quota. **Mr. Hartman moved to approve the request. Mr. Lucy seconded it. Vote: 5-0, unanimous.** She also was informed that Babe's Restaurant was planning to provide entertainment at the restaurant on October 13th and this is not part of the food service or common victualers licenses that they hold with the town. She notified Mr. Thrasher and asked that he write to the BOS to ask for a one-day entertainment license. Since the entertainment consists of a twenty minute performance, will not involve live music, and there will be no charge, she

recommended approval. She noted that she had added conditions to the license that there is to be no live music and that the occupancy limit is to be strictly enforced. **Mr. Palmer moved to approve the one-day entertainment license. Mr. Gaechter seconded it. Vote: 5-0, unanimous.**

Town Administrator's Report: (action items)

- Provided the Board with a letter of support to the Open Cape Project director that was drafted by Mr. Delius. **Mr. Gaechter moved to approve the letter as drafted. Mr. Hartman seconded it. Vote: 5-0, unanimous.**

Selectmen/Liaison Reports: (action items)

Worthington: -Questioned if the volunteer meals on wheels driver could be part of the Senior Municipal Work off program. Ms. Nolan will look into this.

Next week's agenda: STM articles, Classification Hearing.

At 7:40 p.m. Mr. Gaechter moved to convene in Executive Session under the provisions of MGL Chapter 39, Section 23B to consider negotiations and to not reconvene in Open Session. Roll Call Vote: Hartman, aye; Palmer, aye; Gaechter, aye; Lucy, aye; Worthington, aye. 5-0, unanimous.

Alfred Gaechter, Chairman

Gary Palmer, Vice-Chairman

Christopher R. Lucy, Clerk

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